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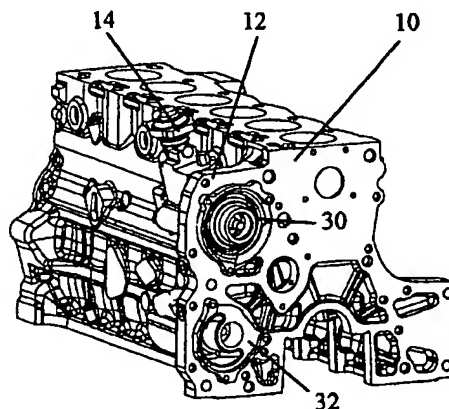
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(54) **Engine block**

(57) An engine block is described having at one end a lateral flange 12 formed with an aperture 24 for mounting of an ancillary unit such as a pump 16. An adapter plate 30 is mounted on the end face of the lateral flange to overlie the aperture 24 for the ancillary unit 16, the surface of the adapter plate facing the aperture 24 being machined to mate, when in use, with the ancillary unit 16 disposed on the other side of the flange 12 and secured to the adapter plate 30 through the aperture 24 in the lateral flange.



**Fig. 3**

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